East Coventry Township Historical Commission November 8, 2006 Scheduled Meeting Minutes

<u>Attendance:</u> Gail Brown (Chairman), Mary Lib Brower (Vice Chairman), Phyl Snyder (Secretary), Ann Keen, Elaine Preston, and Lynn Coine.

Visitors: Robert F. Preston and Bryan Hunsberger (Telvil Corporation). Wendy Manley came later.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:15PM.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

L.Coine made a motion to accept the Minutes of October 11, 2006 as amended.

E. Preston seconded the motion.

The motion was unanimously approved as amended.

Public Comments

A. Project - Telvil Hall Corporation – 75 Creamery Road

Brian Hunsberger presented copies of two letters and photos of this property:

- 1. Ludgate Engineering Corporation's letter stated the area consisted of 21.5 acres to be subdivided into seven lots with a minimum of two acres for each of the six new single family dwellings. "The existing house and outbuildings will remain intact on one lot (N1)."
- 2. Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, Bureau for Historic Preservation's letter stated that there is no need for archaeological investigation on this property, but they were unable to proceed with their review for historic structures until addition information is provided

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- 1.To identify historic resources house, barn, stone walls, etc and take photos, the East Coventry Historical Commission is scheduled to meet at the Township Building at 2:00 PM on Nov. 15, 2006 for a walk around the property. The Commission will provide the developer with a list of historic resources.
- 2. The developer would like to demolish the concrete block building. The Commission agreed the concrete block building is not of historical significance.
- 3. The developer will send us corrected drawings.
- 4. The developer has hired Jane Dorchester (19 S. Church St, West Chester 19382) to do a historic survey of the property with a copy to be sent to the Historical Commission upon completion.
- 5. The historical resources are located on Lot N1, 6.66 acres. The Historical Commission stated concerns in relation to Storm Water Basin #2 0.51 acres.
 - B. Project: Stone and Manley Minor Subdivision 415 Ellis Woods Road
- 1. The forty foot wide tract of land between Woodcrest Estates and Manley Tract appears to have no historical significance on lots 1 and 2 and adjacent historical resources.

E.Preston made a motion for the Historical Commission to write a letter to the East Coventry Township Supervisors with the recommendation regarding the lack of historical significance on this tract with a copy to Manley Consultants, Inc.

- M. Brower seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 2. Wendy Manley invited the Historical Commission to walk around her property and take pictures on Nov. 15, 2006 at 3:00 PM.

C. Project: Wineberry Estates – Maack Property

In reference to the letter of October 30, 2006 from Bender, Kalis & Proctor Law Office, representing Gambone Development Company:

- 1. Eleven new homes will be built but no building will be demolished. Part of the stone retaining wall (approximately 60 feet) will be demolished. The Commission recommends using the stones at the entrance to Woodcrest Estates.
- 2. E. Preston made the motion to send a letter with recommendations to the East Coventry Board of Supervisors with a carbon copy to the Planning Commission and Gambone Development Co.
 - L. Coine seconded the motion.
 - The motion was unanimously approved.
- 3. A walk around was suggested but no date was set.

Old Business

A. Historical Resource Atlas

Drive arounds for the East Coventry Historical Research Atlas with Jane Davidson was completed.

J. Davidson explained what to do with the information and the final project should be finished soon

A special "Thank you" to all the people involved and the delicious lunches prepared.

B. Historic Commission Files

- 1. Transmittal forms are being considered to be submitted to Township Administrative Office for signature. This way we should have a complete record of what the files contain. It was suggested two people come together to bring materials.
 - It was also suggested that no originals may leave the building.
- 2. Dino Volpi sent copies of historical information.

C. Chester County Historic Preservation Network

The East Coventry Historical Commission membership fee has been submitted to the Chester County Historical Preservation Network (CCHPN). Thank you, Casey LaLonde for your quick response to Mrs. Jane Davidson's suggestion.

D. Budget

Budget was discussed and completed.

It was noted the township will pay 44.5 cents per mile for mileage reimbursement.

E. Review and Comments for Article XII

Historical Resource and Protection Standards from East Bradford Code and West Whiteland Code compared to East Coventry Article XII were discussed.

Our suggestions will be presented to the Board of Supervisors by G. Brown.

New Business

- A. G. Brown handed out copies of Pennsylvania Sunshine Act and requested members read the information and become familiar with the application of this document.
- B. E. Preston handed out copies of "Oral History Interviews: best practices" which both she and G. Brown received at the course they attended in November.
- C. Reimbursement
 - L. Coine has a travel expense voucher plus a receipt for film.

Motion for adjournment was made by P. Snyder.

The motion was seconded by L. Coine.

The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 10:25PM